

# Skin Observation Protocol for Delegating Nurses

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# EXPECTATION/OUTCOME FOR SOP

## Documentation Standards

- HCS—guidelines in Chapter 24 of the HCS Long Term (LTC) Manual
- DDA—guidelines in Policy 9.13

# Comprehensive Assessment Reporting and Evaluation (CARE)

Computerized client assessment

Triggers Skin Observation Protocol

Mandatory Assessment

# CASE MANAGERS RESPONSIBILITY

- Identified in CARE
  - SOP triggered
  - Requires referral for SOP and include all the other triggered referrals
  - Document in CARE referral process
- Case Manager determines appropriate provider
  - Nurse Delegator
  - AAA
  - Nursing agency

# NURSE DELEGATORS RESPONSIBILITY

- Accept referral—time frame (DDA-HCS)

HCS	DDA
CM SEND REFERRAL FORM IN 2 BUSINESS DAYS	CM SEND REFERRAL FORM IN 2 BUSINESS DAYS
48 HOURS RESPOND TO REFERRAL	RND HAS 1 DAY TO ACCEPT AND 2 DAYS SCHEDULE VISIT
5 DAYS RETURN DOCUMENTATION TO CASE MANAGER	5 DAYS RETURN DOCUMENTATION TO CASE MANAGER

**ON SITE VISIT AND DIRECT OBSERVATION REQUIRED**

# RND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Review CARE and document
  - Review current treatment and who authorized plan
  - Develop a care plan or
  - Verify current treatment plan in place
  - Verify CG is checking pressure points
  - Distribute educational materials
  - Address all the other nursing triggered referrals

# RND SOP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Determine if a HCP is treating clients skin issue
- Contact HCP for treatment orders if necessary
- Contact client's family rep if no HCP, if client refusing treatment or if HCP is not treating

## RND SOP RESPONSIBILITIES<sub>(cont'd)</sub>

- Discuss findings with case manager
- Refer to APS, CPS, CRU, health care provider/resources as appropriate



# RND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Skin assessments are part of the nurse delegation paperwork and copies should be left in the client chart and retained in your own personal nurse delegation files. As a part of the assessment, the RND will address all the other referrals if indicated.


# RND REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

A copy of the documentation must be sent to the referral case manager for documentation into the CARE assessment.


# MANDATORY FORMS--SOP

- HCS Referral Form # 13-776
- DDA Referral Form #13-911
- Basic Assessment Form #13-784
- Skin Assessment Form # 13-780
- Pressure Injury Assessment # 13-783

# SOP REFERRAL FORM-HCS # 13-776

 <b>HCS / AAA Nursing Services Referral</b>			
1. REFERRED TO RN PROVIDER / AGENCY / DELEGATOR NAME		TELEPHONE NUMBER	2. DSHS OFFICE <input type="checkbox"/> HCS <input type="checkbox"/> AAA
FAX NUMBER		EMAIL ADDRESS	DATE OF REFERRAL
3. CLIENT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)			
DATE OF BIRTH	TELEPHONE NUMBER	PROVIDER 1 NUMBER	ACES NUMBER
4. CLIENT ADDRESS		CITY	STATE ZIP CODE
5. CAREGIVER NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)		6. AGENCY NAME (IF AGENCY CAREGIVER)	TELEPHONE NUMBER
7. CONTACT NAME (IF DIFFERENT THAN CAREGIVER)			TELEPHONE NUMBER
8. CONTACT RELATIONSHIP TO CLIENT		9. GUARDIAN NAME (IF ANY)	TELEPHONE NUMBER
<b>10. Referral Request</b>			
10. Requested Activity (check all that apply)		11. Activity Frequency (days/week times per week / month / year)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Assessment/Reassessment (visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Instruction to client and/or Providers (visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Care and health resource coordination (with visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Care and health resource coordination (without visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation of health related elements of assessment or service plan (without visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skin Observation Protocol (with visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Skin Observation Protocol (without visit)		Frequency Duration of Activity:	
<b>12. CARE Triggered Referrals Reason for Request (Check all that apply)</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Unstable/potentially unstable diagnosis		<input type="checkbox"/> Current or potential skin problem (not SOP)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Medication regimen affecting plan of care		<input type="checkbox"/> Skin Observation Protocol	
<input type="checkbox"/> Nutritional status affecting plan of care		<input type="checkbox"/> Other reason:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Immobility issues affecting plan of care			
<b>13. Special Instructions</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Requesting visit be made with case manager		<input type="checkbox"/> Request visit with Caregiver	
<input type="checkbox"/> Consult with case manager before contacting client or caregiver		<input type="checkbox"/> Caregiver Training Requested	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Interpreter Required for _____ language	
14. SW / CASE / MANAGER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	FAX NUMBER
SW / CASE / MANAGER TELEPHONE NUMBER			DATE
<b>IMPORTANT: Please be sure to Fax current CARE Assessment, Service Summary and Release of Information form if the nursing resource does not have access to CARE.</b>			
<b>Confirmation of Receipt and Acceptance of referral by Nursing Services Provider</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Referral received		Date Received:	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Comments:
<input type="checkbox"/> Referral accepted			
<input type="checkbox"/> Referral not accepted Reason: _____			
<input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Assigned:			
Telephone Number:			


# SOP REFERRAL FORM—DDA # 13-911


 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION (DDA) <b>DDA Nursing Service Referral</b>			
1. REFERRED TO AGENCY / NURSE DELEGATOR		2. DSHS OFFICE	
3. CLIENT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)		DATE OF REFERRAL	
DATE OF BIRTH		TELEPHONE NUMBER (INCLUDE AREA CODE)	
ADSA NUMBER	AUTHORIZATION NUMBER	PROVIDER ONE NUMBER	
CLIENT DIAGNOSIS			
ATTACHED <input type="checkbox"/> CARE / DDA Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> ISP <input type="checkbox"/> Service Summary <input type="checkbox"/> Release of Information			
4. CLIENT PHYSICAL ADDRESS		CITY	STATE   ZIP CODE
5. CAREGIVER NAME (LAST, FIRST, MI)		6. AGENCY NAME (IF AGENCY CAREGIVER)	TELEPHONE NUMBER
7. CONTACT NAME (IF DIFFERENT THAN CAREGIVER)		TELEPHONE NUMBER	
8. CONTACT RELATIONSHIP TO CLIENT		9. GUARDIAN NAME (IF ANY)	TELEPHONE NUMBER
<b>Referral Request</b>			
10. Requested Activity (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Assessment / Reassessment (visit) <input type="checkbox"/> Instruction to client and/or Providers (visit) <input type="checkbox"/> Care and health resource coordination (with visit) <input type="checkbox"/> Skin Observation Protocol (visit required)		11. Activity Frequency (days / week times per week / month / year) Frequency Duration of Activity: Frequency Duration of Activity: Frequency Duration of Activity: Frequency Duration of Activity:	
12. Reason for Request (Check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Unstable / potentially unstable diagnosis <input type="checkbox"/> Current or potential skin problem (not SOP) <input type="checkbox"/> Medication regimen affecting plan of care <input type="checkbox"/> Skin Observation Protocol <input type="checkbox"/> Nutritional status affecting plan of care <input type="checkbox"/> Other reason: <input type="checkbox"/> Immobility issues affecting plan of care			
<b>13. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Requesting <b>Number</b> of additional home visits; reason: <input type="checkbox"/> Interpreter Required for   language <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Comments:			
14. SW / CASE / RESOURCE MANAGER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	FAX NUMBER
CASE / RESOURCE MANAGER TELEPHONE NUMBER		DATE	
or 1-800-			
<b>IMPORTANT:</b> Please be sure send secure email / fax current CARE Assessment.			
<b>Confirmation of Receipt and Acceptance of referral by Nursing Services Provider</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Referral received   Date Received: <input type="checkbox"/> Referral accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Referral not accepted <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Assigned: Telephone Number:		<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Comments:	

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# REFERRAL FORM - NURSE DELEGATION

## #01-212







AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (ALISA)  
**ALISA Nurse Delegation Referral and Communication  
Case / Resource Manager's Request**

Case / Resource Manager's Request			
1. OFFICE <input type="checkbox"/> HCS <input type="checkbox"/> AAA <input type="checkbox"/> DDA <input type="checkbox"/> Other	2. CLIENT'S AUTHORIZATION NUMBER	3. RN PROVIDERONE ID	4. DATE OF BIRTH
5. DATE OF REFERRAL		6. METHOD OF REFERRAL <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Fax	
TO: 7. NURSE / AGENCY		8. TELEPHONE NUMBER	9. FAX NUMBER
FROM: 10. C/RM NAME / OFFICE		11. EMAIL ADDRESS	12. TELEPHONE NUMBER
		13. FAX NUMBER	
14. REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS (IF APPLICABLE) <input type="checkbox"/> CARE/ODA Assessment <input type="checkbox"/> ISP / DDA <input type="checkbox"/> BSHP <input type="checkbox"/> Service Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Release of Information			
Client Information			
15. CLIENT NAME		16. TELEPHONE NUMBER	
17. ADDRESS		CITY	STATE
		ZIP CODE	
18. PROVIDER NAME		19. TELEPHONE NUMBER	20. FAX NUMBER
21. CLIENT COMMUNICATION <input type="checkbox"/> This client needs an interpreter <input type="checkbox"/> Deaf/HOH <input type="checkbox"/> Primary language needed is: _____			
22. DIAGNOSIS PER CARE ASSESSMENT			
23. Please identify the delegated task(s) for this client:			
Communicating with RND			
C/RM will communicate with RND when changes occur in client condition, authorized representative, financial eligibility or authorization is due.			
CASE/RESOURCE MANAGER'S SIGNATURE		DATE	

Authorization for payment is linked to return of this form to C/RM






AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (ALISA)  
**ALISA Nurse Delegation Referral and Communication  
Case / Resource Manager's Request**

Delegating Nurse's Response			
TO: 24. C/RM NAME	25. TELEPHONE NUMBER	26. FAX NUMBER	
FROM: 27. RND	28. RN PROVIDERONE ID	29. TELEPHONE NUMBER	30. FAX NUMBER
RE: 31. CLIENT NAME			
32. Nurse delegation has been started <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			33. ASSESSMENT DATE
34. Please list the tasks that were delegated:			
35. Follow Up Information			
<input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Delegation was not implemented. Please indicate the reason and any other action taken:			
<input type="checkbox"/> RND suggests these other options for care:			
36. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS			
NURSE DELEGATE'S SIGNATURE			DATE

Authorization for payment is linked to return of this form to C/RM

## BASIC SKIN ASSESSMENT FORM # 13-780

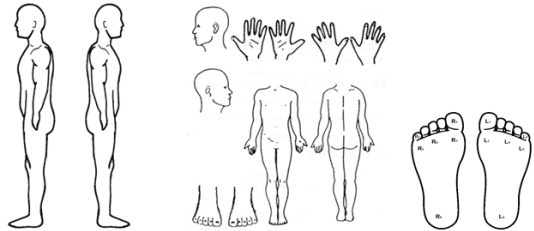
 AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (ALISA)  
Nursing Services Basic Skin Assessment  
(Integumentary System – Skin, Hair, Nail)

DATE OF SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CM / RN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
REFERRING RN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLIENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ CLIENT ASES ID: \_\_\_\_\_ CLIENT PROVIDER ONE ID: \_\_\_\_\_

REQUEST RELATED TO (REQUESTOR COMPLETE): CHECK ALL THAT APPLY  
☐ Skin Observation  
☐ Other referral type (describe): \_\_\_\_\_  
Documentation to be sent back to: \_\_\_\_\_ By: ☐ Fax ☐ Email ☐ Hard Copy

**Injuries Assessment Section**  
Beginning with any pressure injuries, number all integumentary issues consecutively, starting with #1, #2, #3, etc. (Skin, Hair and Nails)




**Skin Issues**  
Specify all types below as numbered / designated above. The number, skin issue type and comments.  
Examples of possible types of skin issues from CARE include pressure injuries, abrasions, acne / persistent redness, boils, bruises, burns, canker sore, diabetic ulcer, dry skin, hives, open lesions, rashes, skin desensitized to pain / pressure, skin folds / perineal rash, skin growths / moles, stasis ulcers, sun sensitivity, and surgical wounds. Please note there are many other skin issues not mentioned here such as irregular skin area such as boggy or mushy skin area, discoloration area(s).  
Please note: Any current pressure injuries require further detailed documentation on Pressure Ulcer Assessment and Documentation, form DSHS 13-783.

NUMBER	SKIN ISSUE TYPE AND LOCATION	COMMENTS (PROVIDE FURTHER (NON-PRESSURE INJURY) DOCUMENTATION IN ADDITIONAL NOTES SECTION. FURTHER PRESSURE INJURY DOCUMENTATION REQUIRES FORM DSHS 13-783.)

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 AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (ALISA)  
Nursing Services Basic Skin Assessment  
(Integumentary System – Skin, Hair, Nail)

DATE OF SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CM / RN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
REFERRING RN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CLIENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ CLIENT ASES ID: \_\_\_\_\_ CLIENT PROVIDER ONE ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Basic Skin Assessment – Additional Detail (Check – Off and Notes)**

CONSIDER HISTORY OF SKIN CONDITION

- How long has the condition been present?
- How often does it occur or recur?
- Are there any seasonal variations?
- Is there a family history of skin disease?
- Any habits, behaviors or hobbies or other affecting the skin?
- What medication is client taking?
- Any known allergies?
- Include previous and present treatments and their effectiveness.

Color: ☐ Pale ☐ WNL ☐ Cyanotic ☐ Jaundice ☐ Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Temperature: ☐ Afebrile ☐ Warmer than normal (febrile) ☐ Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Turgor: ☐ Normal ☐ Slow (tenting)  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Any foul odor: ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Moisture: ☐ WNL ☐ Dry ☐ Diaphoretic ☐ Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Skin integrity: ☐ WNL / intact ☐ See problem list  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Moles: ☐ Present  
a. Asymmetry ☐ Yes ☐ No  
b. Border ☐ Regular ☐ Irregular  
c. Color \_\_\_\_\_  
d. Diameter \_\_\_\_\_  
Notes: Referral and follow-up for suspect / abnormal or irregular mole: \_\_\_\_\_

Hair: ☐ Even distributed ☐ Hair loss ☐ Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Nails: ☐ WNL ☐ Thickened ☐ Clubbing ☐ Discolored ☐ Other (describe): \_\_\_\_\_  
Cap Refill: ☐ < 3 sec ☐ > 3 sec  
Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Non-injury recommendations to CM / CRM (for follow-up with HCP, treatment, care planning, or other directions):  
\_\_\_\_\_


RN SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ PRINTED RN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Additional forms / documentation attached

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# PRESSURE INJURY FORM # 13-783

 <p>AGING AND LONG-TERM SUPPORT ADMINISTRATION (AL TSA)  <b>Pressure Injury Assessment and Documentation</b>          (Pressure Injury Numbering from          Nursing Services Basic Injury Assessment)  <b>Use one form per pressure injury described.</b></p>		DATE OF SERVICE <input type="text"/>	
		CASE MANAGER NAME <input type="text"/>	
		RN NAME <input type="text"/>	
<b>Section 1. Client Information (Completed by DSHS or AAA Staff, RN, and/or Contractor)</b>			
CLIENT NAME <input type="text"/>	DATE OF BIRTH <input type="text"/>	CLIENT AGENCY ID <input type="text"/>	CLIENT PROVIDER ONE ID <input type="text"/>
<b>Pressure Injury Description</b>			
1. PRESSURE INJURY NUMBER From form 13-780 (pictorial diagram) <input type="text"/>		2. LOCATION DESCRIPTION <input type="text"/>	
3. PRESSURE INJURY CLASSIFICATION Staging (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 or (check one of the following): <input type="checkbox"/> Unstageable: <input type="text"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Suspected deep tissue injury reason: <input type="text"/>			
4. MEASUREMENT OF WOUND Length: <input type="text"/> cm Width: <input type="text"/> cm Depth (visual estimate): <input type="text"/> cm			
5. TUNNELING <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. If yes, describe: <input type="text"/>		UNDERMINING <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. If yes, describe: <input type="text"/>	
6. A. WOUND EXUDATE: (% SATURATION OF DRESSING) <input type="checkbox"/> None: (0%) <input type="checkbox"/> Minimal: (<25% Saturation of Dressing) <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate: (26-75% Saturation of Dressing) <input type="checkbox"/> Heavy: (>75% Saturation of Dressing)			
B. <input type="checkbox"/> Serous: (Thin, Watery, Clear) <input type="checkbox"/> Sanguineous: (Bloody) <input type="checkbox"/> Purulent: (Thin or Thick, Opaque, Tan/Yellow) <input type="checkbox"/> Serosanguineous: (Thin Watery, Pale Red/Pink)			
7. WOUND BED <input type="checkbox"/> Granulation <input type="checkbox"/> Slough <input type="checkbox"/> Necrotic Comments: <input type="text"/>			
8. ODOR <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. If yes, describe: <input type="text"/>			
9. PAIN SCALE NO PAIN <input type="checkbox"/> 0 <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> 10 WORST PAIN IMAGINABLE			
10. SURROUNDING SKIN <input type="checkbox"/> Erythema <input type="checkbox"/> Edema <input type="checkbox"/> Warm <input type="checkbox"/> Induration (hard) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/> Comments: <input type="text"/>			
Pressure Injury Documentation, Pages <input type="text"/> of <input type="text"/>			
RN SIGNATURE <input type="text"/>		DATE <input type="text"/> PRINTED RN NAME <input type="text"/>	

11. RN POST PRESSURE INJURY ASSESSMENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO DSHS CASE MANAGER (INCLUDING TREATMENT AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HCP FOLLOW-UP, ADDITIONAL TREATMENT OR CARE NEEDS AND/OR RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO



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Doris & Angela

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helping people hospital  
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